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CHARLESTON, IL--The Malaysian ambassador to the United States, Dato Sip Hon Lew, will make two public appearances at Eastern Illinois University on Tuesday, Oct. 9.

He will discuss "The American Presence in Southeastern Asia: A Malaysian Perspective" at 7:30 p.m. in the Buzzard Building Auditorium. The ambassador will attend a reception from 3 to 5 p.m., sponsored by the Office of International Students and the Coles County Homemakers Extension Association, in the Wesley Foundation on Fourth Street.

The Political Science Department and Pi Sigma Alpha, political science honorary, will sponsor the evening lecture. A Department spokesman said Lew will be initiated as an honorary member of Pi Sigma Alpha.

Lew, who holds a degree in economics from the University of Malaysia and is a Fellow, Royal Economic Society, London, is a member of the Malaysian Parliament, as well as serving as the ambassador.

Lew began his professional career in 1952. Before being named ambassador to the U. S. in January 1984, Lew was Deputy Minister of Trade and Industry in Malaysia.

The ambassador's wife, who bears the title of "Datin," (Lady) will accompany him.